

**Idaho State Board of Education**  
**GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

**SECTION: V. FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

**Subsection: T. Fee Waivers**

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**T. Fee/Tuition Waivers**

**1. Purpose and Authority for Fee/Tuition Waivers**

**a. Definition**

A fee/tuition waiver shall mean a reduction of some or all of the approved fees/tuition specified in Section V, Subsection R, attributable to a particular student as the cost for attending an Idaho institution of higher education.

**b. Purpose**

The purpose in authorizing fee/tuition waivers includes but is not limited to the achievement of the following strategic objectives:

- (i) The enhancement of education opportunities for Idaho residents;
- (ii) To promote mutually beneficial cooperation and development of Idaho communities and nearby communities in neighboring states;
- (iii) To contribute to the quality of educational programs; and
- (iv) To assist in maintaining the cost effectiveness of auxiliary operations in Idaho institutions of higher education.

**c. Authority**

An institution shall not waive any of the applicable fees/tuition specified in Section V, Subsection R., unless specifically authorized in this subsection. Special fees are not defined as a fee waiver.

**2. Waiver of Nonresident Fees/Tuition**

Nonresident fees/tuition may be waived for the following categories:

**a. Graduate/Instructional Assistants**

Waivers are authorized for students employed as graduate assistants appointed pursuant to Section III, Subsection P.11.c.

**b. Students Participating in Intercollegiate Athletics**

For the purpose of improving competitiveness in intercollegiate athletics, the universities are authorized up to two hundred twenty-five (225) waivers per semester and, Lewis-Clark State College is authorized up to one hundred ten (110) waivers per semester. The institutions are authorized to grant additional waivers, not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the above waivers, to be used exclusively for post-eligibility students.

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c. Waivers to Meet Other Strategic Objectives

The chief executive officer of each institution is authorized to waive nonresident fees/tuition for students, not to exceed the equivalent of six percent (6%) of the institution's total full-time equivalent enrollment. The criteria to be followed in granting such nonresident waivers shall be as follows:

- (i) A waiver may be granted to place a nonresident student in an institutional program only when there is sufficient capacity in the program to meet the needs of Idaho resident students; and
- (ii) A waiver may be granted only when its use is fiscally responsible to place a nonresident student in an institutional program in order to meet a strategic state and/or institutional need, as identified by the chief executive officer of the institution.

d. National Student Exchange Program - Domestic

Waivers are authorized for nonresident students participating in this program.

e. Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

Waivers are authorized for nonresident students participating in the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education Professional Student Exchange Program and the Graduate Student Exchange Program. An institution may include a participating nonresident student in its enrollment workload adjustment calculation, provided the figure does not exceed the maximum approved for an institution by the Board.